

GIANT WAVES FLOOD INTO LINERS' BERTHS

Storm Belated Ships Here With Tales of Highest Seas in History.

MET 100 MILE GALES

Voyagers Kept in State-rooms, Glass of Ports Knocked Out.

SAVOIE BADLY BATTERED

Wireless Wrecked as Freight-er Called Help—Caronia and Others Suffer.

Three storm belated liners arrived yesterday with tales of mighty seas, taller than any in authentic history of Atlantic turbulence, which kept voyagers in staterooms many days, flooded berths, smashed one piano, twisted bridge rails and knocked out the glass of ports, but injured not a single traveler. The French liner La Savoie, two days behind winter schedule, reported having slid down into the hollows of waves ninety feet high. Some passengers were willing to swear to that and add a dozen more feet or so. Capt. Henri Boisson, veteran Gallic navigator, was not insistent about the exact altitude of the seas, but he declared that they were the biggest and roughest that ever lambasted any ship he has ever commanded, and that he took catnaps in his clothes five strenuous days and never left the bridge until the ferment had subsided.

The worst blow, estimated at more than 100 miles, came on Wednesday, December 20, when the crest of a monster wave invaded the ship, swept through the lounge and wrenched the piano from its fastenings, sending it ceilingward. It crashed a cello in descending and also smashed itself. Only a few passengers had the nerve to leave staterooms and go to the lounge and they were soaked and crawled back to shelter.

S O S at Peak of Storm.

Even in the staterooms there were occasional invasions of sea due to the smashing of heavy glass ports. Eugene B. Clark, Chicago manufacturer, who with his wife occupied a suite on the port side, managed to get some sleep despite the fury of the storm, but was aroused by a swishing of water in his cabin. He waded out and summoned help and stewards carried Mrs. Clark to drier quarters. A stateroom port had been stove and the seas had gushed through as from the mouth of a wave shooting cannon. Adolph Busch, fur dealer of this city, who has been crossing the Atlantic twice a year for twenty years in all seasons, said it was the stormiest trip he had ever made and that he was inclined to think that prayer may have saved the liner, as he believed that every passenger sent up a prayer for her safety.

At the peak of the tumult Capt. Boisson received an S O S radio from the Blue Star Line freighter Tudorstar in midocean saying that she was helplessly drifting with her rudder carried away. Before she could get anything more about the plight of the freighter the Savoie's wireless antennae were wrecked and when, after perilous work of her radio force, the aerial equipment was restored, the Tudorstar was out of touch with the liner. Capt. Boisson was glad to learn after he arrived that the freighter had been picked up and was struggling eastward in tow of another cargo ship. The Tudorstar is bound from Seattle by way of the Panama Canal with refrigerated far Western products for London and Glasgow.

Dancer Shied at Paris.

Mrs. James Edwards of Buffalo and her daughter Thelma, the latter a dancer, went to Paris in the expectation that Miss Thelma might dance there after a season in London. When her mother saw what Paris wanted she wept, Miss Thelma said, and they decided it was "too extreme."

The Cunarder Caronia from Liverpool and Queenstown by way of Halifax had three ports stove in in the series of tempests that buffeted her nearly all the way across.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustine Healy of Chicago, passengers, who have been hunting in East Africa, brought a freak head of a rhinoceros with a front horn twenty-nine inches long and a set of horns usually undeveloped, thirty-seven inches long. Mrs. Healy brought the head of one of the largest lions ever killed in East Africa, which she shot herself.

Joaquin Sorolla, Spanish painter, arrived with twenty-five canvases depicting the progress of Spain done by his father, which will be exhibited here in the rooms of the Hispano Society.

The United American liner Mount Carroll, from Hamburg, lost lifeboat covers in the blasts and twenty feet of her lower bridge was smashed. Capt. Higgins said the waves were mountainous.

LOCKWOOD COMMITTEE REPORT NEARLY READY

Labor and Stock Exchange Sections Not Decided.

The report which the Lockwood Committee will submit to the incoming Legislature as its closing act probably will be finished and approved at a final session next Friday, Samuel Untermyer, counsel, announced yesterday after an executive meeting of the body in his office, 129 Broadway.

Seven members of the committee were in attendance and discussed the drastic program of proposed legislation the report is said to contemplate. Mr. Untermyer said the report has reached a stage where a considerable portion is in the hands of the printer. Agreement by the committee members has not yet been reached, he indicated, on his proposed S O S commission to control labor organizations and the Stock Exchange.

SHORTHAND FOLK TO MEET.

State Association Will Hold Speed Tests.

The New York State Shorthand Reporters Association will hold its annual convention in the County Court House in Chambers street to-day and to-morrow. Murray Hulbert, President of the Board of Aldermen, will speak at the opening session at 10:30 o'clock this morning.

Shorthand reporters from New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Massachusetts will be guests of the association. One of the features of the convention will be the speed contest.

WILSON FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES SUCCESS

Fund of \$1,000,000 Required Now Within Reach After Two Years.

The Woodrow Wilson Foundation at a meeting yesterday of its board of trustees announced the successful conclusion of its public appeal for an endowment fund of \$1,000,000. The trustees, executive committee and original organizers met in the same room at the Hotel Biltmore in which the project was launched exactly two years ago.

Hamilton Holt, executive director, presided. He reported that more than \$500,000 has been contributed, and it is believed another \$500,000 will be added when all the returns from State and local chairmen are in. It will be necessary, however, to extend the time for subscriptions until the \$1,000,000 mark is reached, Mr. Holt said.

The meeting sent the following telegram to Mr. Wilson:

"Members of permanent board of trustees, executive committee and original organizers of Woodrow Wilson Foundation in assembly here to-day are happy to be able to advise you that the public's loyal allegiance to those fine ideals and principles for which you stand assures the success of the foundation. We regard the support given the foundation by men and women in every State and in all walks of life as a splendid expression of faith in you. The foundation will live as a permanent tribute to your world services to the cause of human freedom, and in this and future generations is destined to render conspicuous public service. Please accept our cordial good wishes for the New Year."

Dr. Elliot's Tribute.
The telegram was signed by Franklin D. Roosevelt as chairman of the national committee.
The following telegram was read from Dr. Charles W. Elliot, president-emeritus of Harvard University, and forwarded to Mr. Wilson:

"To Woodrow Wilson, Scholar, Statesman and Patriot—Many thousands of your fellow countrymen have united to establish a permanent fund or endowment bearing your name, the income to be used from time to time to promote in future generations meritorious service to public welfare, democracy or peace through justice.
"On December 28, your sixty-sixth birthday, the contributors to this fund, with many other thousands of your countrymen, desire to express to you their admiration and gratitude for your extraordinary services in the cause of human freedom, international cooperation and good will among men. May you live to see the full fruition of your strenuous and self-sacrificing labors."
CHARLES W. ELLIOT.

Honor for Mrs. Simonson.
In introducing the speakers Mr. Holt paid special tribute to Mrs. Charles E. Simonson, whose idea it was that the foundation should be established as a permanent tribute to Mr. Wilson's international services.

Included among those present were Hamilton Holt, Dr. Stephen P. Duggan, Mrs. J. Malcolm Forbes, Mrs. J. Borden Harriman, Henry Morgenthau, Miss Virginia Potter, Miss Caroline Ruutz-Roes, Mrs. Charles E. Simonson, Mrs. Charles L. Tiffany, Stephen S. Wise, Hailey Fiske, Herbert S. Houston, Louis Wiley, Norman H. Davis, James W. Gerard, Mrs. Harriman N. Simmons, Miss Mary Blauvelt, Mrs. Anna O'Hagan Shinn, Miss A. H. Blauvelt, Mrs. James Erskine Neal, Miss Elinor Johnson, Miss Elizabeth Ogden, H. D. Sarver, Col. William Gorham Rice, Fred W. Hinrichs, George E. Scott, Mrs. John Blair, Mrs. Percy Jackson and Mrs. Harriet Townsend.

A committee, consisting of Hamilton Holt, Stephen S. Wise, Mrs. Charles E. Simonson, Mrs. J. Malcolm Forbes and Miss Caroline Ruutz-Roes, will call upon Mr. Wilson this afternoon at 3, extend birthday greetings to him and inform him of the success of the foundation.

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